

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

February 8, 1998

The Honorable Trent Lott
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Tom Daschle
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Distinguished Leaders:

The House has come upon evidence very recently which, if true, impeaches the credibility of certain representations made by witnesses who have testified under oath in the Impeachment Trial of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States.

Given the objection by the Minority Leader to the unanimous consent request of the Majority Leader to admit new evidence, and because this evidence goes to the heart of the truth-seeking purpose of this Impeachment Trial, we respectfully request that you exercise your powers under S. Res. 30 to make a motion to admit new evidence and to authorize and issue subpoenas for the appearance of witnesses at depositions.

This new evidence indicates that Sidney Blumenthal may have testified falsely before the Senate when he stated that he never told any reporters the false story that the President relayed to him that Monica Lewinsky was a "stalker." Credible evidence in the form of two signed sworn affidavits from reporters to whom Sidney Blumenthal told this story, along with a signed sworn affidavit verifying the statements of these affiants, confirm that the President may have engaged in an intimidation campaign against potential adverse witnesses in a civil rights action brought against him and in a criminal investigation of his misconduct. Mr. Blumenthal stated in his deposition that one of his duties as Assistant to the President is to relay information to the press. If the President, in telling false stories to Mr. Blumenthal, intended to discredit a witness both before the grand jury and in the public realm for political and legal purposes, the Articles charging obstruction of justice and making false and misleading statements before a grand jury about those acts of obstruction are given even more weight. The Senate therefore has an obligation to consider such evidence in its deliberations.

The Honorable Trent Lott
Majority Leader

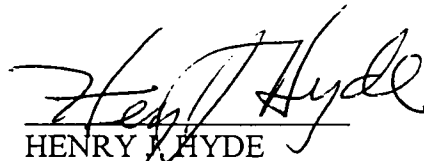
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If Mr. Blumenthal's testimony is false regarding the dissemination of derogatory information against potential witnesses who were named in the *Jones* suit and called by the Office of Independent Counsel in its authorized investigation of the President's misconduct, it would reveal that the White House as an institution may have been used by the President to obstruct justice for his legal and political benefit. It would also tend to establish a pattern and practice of intentionally monitoring the public perception of potential witnesses, such as Kathleen Willey and Monica Lewinsky, and devising schemes to undermine those witness' credibility in the public arena, and, in the case of Ms. Willey, the potential use of private investigators to intimidate.

We hope that you do not choose to ignore this important information. Thank you for your interest in discerning the truth in this Impeachment Trial.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Henry Hyde", written over a horizontal line.

HENRY HYDE
On Behalf of the Managers on the part
of the House of Representatives

Enc. Draft Motion;
Affidavits of
Christopher Hitchens,
Carol Blue, and
R. Scott Armstrong

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES
Sitting as a Court of Impeachment

In Re)
)
Impeachment of)
President William Jefferson Clinton)

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MOTION OF
THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE
TO ADMIT EVIDENCE
AND TO AUTHORIZE AND ISSUE SUBPOENAS
FOR THE APPEARANCE OF WITNESSES AT DEPOSITIONS

Now comes the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, pursuant to S. Res. 30, with a motion to admit evidence and to authorize and issue subpoenas for the appearance of witnesses at depositions in connection with the Impeachment Trial of William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States.

The Leaders move that the Senate admit into evidence and make a part of the record the signed sworn affidavits of the following individuals related to the Impeachment Trial, which are attached to this motion, and, in addition, authorize and issue subpoenas for the appearance of these witnesses at depositions for the purpose of providing testimony related to the Impeachment Trial:

1. Christopher Hitchens;
2. Carol Blue; and
3. R. Scott Armstrong.

The admission of such evidence and the deposing of such

witnesses is necessary to assess the credibility of testimony provided in this proceeding and to further the truth-seeking purpose of this Impeachment Trial.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
AFFIDAVIT OF CHRISTOPHER HITCHENS

I, Christopher Hitchens, do hereby state on oath as follows:

1. I am 49 years of age and reside in the District of Columbia and am competent to execute this affidavit.

2. I am a resident alien, and am a citizen of the European Union and the United Kingdom.

3. I have been a journalist for 26 years.

4. I am self employed and contribute articles to Vanity Fair and The Nation.

5. Sydney Blumenthal and I are social friends and journalistic acquaintances.

6. On March 19, 1998, Sidney Blumenthal, Carol Blue, and I met for lunch at the Occidental restaurant in Washington, D.C.

7. If called to testify, I would testify on personal knowledge to the following facts.

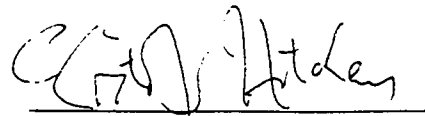
8. During lunch on March 19, 1998, in the presence of myself and Carol Blue, Mr. Blumenthal stated that, Monica Lewinsky had been a "stalker" and that the President was "the victim" of a predatory and unstable sexually demanding young woman. Referring to Ms. Lewinsky, Mr. Blumenthal used the word "stalker" several times. Mr. Blumenthal advised us that this version of the facts was not generally understood.

9. Also during that lunch, Mr. Blumenthal stated that Kathleen Willey's poll numbers were high but would fall and would not look so good in a few days.

10. I have knowledge that Mr. Blumenthal recounted to other people in the journalistic community the same story about Monica Lewinsky that he told to me and Carol Blue.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this fifth day of February, 1999.



Christopher Hitchens

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County of San Mateo
State of California

AFFIDAVIT OF CAROL BLUE

I, Carol Blue, do hereby state on oath as follows:

1. I am over 18 years of age, reside in the District of Columbia and am competent to execute this affidavit.

2. I am a citizen of the United States.

3. I am currently self-employed as a writer.

4. Sidney Blumenthal and I are social friends.

5. On or about March 19, 1998, Sidney Blumenthal, Christopher Hitchens, and I met for lunch at the Occidental restaurant in Washington, D.C.

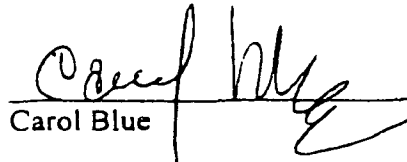
6. If called to testify, I would testify on personal knowledge to the following facts in addition to those set forth in the affidavit of Christopher Hitchens executed on February 5, 1999.

7. During that lunch, in the presence of myself and Christopher Hitchens, Mr. Blumenthal stated that the President told him that he (the President) was the "victim" of Monica Lewinsky's sexual advances and that she was a "stalker," and was "crazy." Mr. Blumenthal used the word "stalker" several times to describe Ms. Lewinsky. Mr. Blumenthal conveyed his conviction that the President's version of the events were true.

8. Also during that lunch, Mr. Blumenthal stated that Monica Lewinsky's poll numbers were very low and that Kathleen Willey's poll numbers were very high, but that would change by Friday, and Ms. Willey's "numbers" would fall.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this seventh day of February, 1999.


Carol Blue

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

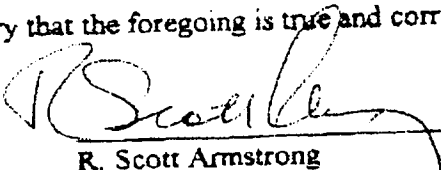
Affidavit of R. Scott Armstrong

I, R. Scott Armstrong, do hereby state on oath as follows:

1. I am 53 years of age and reside in the District of Columbia and am competent to execute this affidavit.
2. I am a citizen of the United States.
3. I am currently an author and journalist. I have been so engaged for approximately the past 24 years and was formerly affiliated with various news organizations including The Washington Post. I also served as Senior Investigator to the Senate Select Committee on Presidential Campaign Activities involving the so called Senate Watergate Committee.
4. I am socially and professionally acquainted with Sidney Blumenthal, Christopher Hitchens and Carol Blue.
5. On or about March 18, 1998, I was on a panel discussion at the National Press Club with Christopher Hitchens among others concerning national security reporting.
6. Following that panel discussion, I met with Christopher Hitchens and Carol Blue at which time they recounted to me a conversations they had had with Sidney Blumenthal in which Mr. Blumenthal had related to them among other things that Monica Lewinsky was a "stalker".

FURTHER AFFLIANT SAYETH NOT.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this eighth day of February 1999.



R. Scott Armstrong